

Contract Teaching Proving Itself In State

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Performance or contract teaching, under fire elsewhere, is proving itself in Michigan, and Superintendent of Public Instruction John W. Porter says he's impressed.

Porter said Wednesday a report is expected soon on results of a \$500,000 experimental program authorized by the legislature to test contract teaching in several schools around the state.

Aimed at intensive training for slow learners in arithmetic and reading in elementary grades, pilot projects are under way in Detroit, Lansing, Grand Rapids, Monroe and

elsewhere. Monroe, for example, has projects in junior high school class rooms under contract with Behavioral Research Laboratory, Inc.

"After abiding with a system that has not proved successful for a good number of years for almost all but a 20 percent minority of college-bound students and which has consistently lost 30 per cent of its students before graduation, I, for one, can't agree that it doesn't work," Porter said.

"The evidence that I'm now receiving indicates the performance contractors paid according to results of student tests are beginning to help us see that by better managing of

our classrooms, we can make very encouraging advances," Porter added.

"The days of passing students through regardless of whether they could read, write or figure or whether they were equipped to face the world are fast coming to a close. Schools, if they wish to remain the traditional sites of learning, must prove their cost effectiveness just as any other business or enterprise," he said.

Porter's department estimated total enrollment in kindergarten through high school classes this fall around the

state at 2.21 million students. The figure is only slightly higher than last year's audited headcount of 2,212,505, the department said.

Unknown so far is the level of private school enrollment this fall because of controversy over court-ordered student busing and the emergence of new private schools aimed at avoiding the orders.

Public school classrooms this fall total 94,186, compared with 83,085 rooms in 3,891 school buildings last year, the department said.

Hospital Can Keep License For \$300,000

Berrien Board Will Be Asked For Grant

The state health department has proposed \$300,000 in improvements for Berrien General hospital that would allow renewal of the hospital license for several years.

Edward Mattix, chairman of the hospital trustees, said Wednesday he met with state health department officials during the past week. "It's our understanding that if the money were spent on projects under their recommendations along with the recommendations of the hospital board and county commissioners, the hospital would be relicensed."

A resolution will be presented to the Berrien county commissioners Monday asking that \$300,000 be set aside for the hospital improvements, Mattix said.

The discussions included extension of the hospital license without expenditure of funds for improvements, Mattix explained. But health officials felt they have an obligation not to issue or extend hospital licenses unless there is a financial plan that assures deficiencies will be corrected, he said.

The suggested hospital improvements include: increasing size of operating rooms, improving patient flow, and providing more storage space and a change area for doctors and nurses in the older hospital facility; and relocating the obstetrics area by taking one of the wards in the newer hospital section and using a number of rooms for a nursery and then expanding several thousand square feet to make a delivery room.

Mattix called the meetings with health officials "fruitful." He said "they had a number of thoughts to put emphasis in the right place and for spending money to permit carrying the hospital license over for several years."

Last week, Mattix met with officials from the Southwestern Michigan Comprehensive Health Planning association and the Area Resources Improvement Council. The fear at that meeting was the \$300,000 expenditure would only provide a patching job and the hospital would face another licensing crisis next year.

The \$300,000 will still not do the job that the \$2.25 million bond issue would have, but it will bring the hospital up to reasonable levels during the next few years, Mattix said. It would also allow time for a full study of health facility needs in the county, he added.

Proposals to issue the bonds for construction of a new hospital wing and levy .3 of a mill for 19 years to offset deficit in hospital operating costs were defeated in the Aug. 8 primary.

The county commissioners voted last month to ask the state for a one-year extension of the hospital license to allow for a committee to study and evaluate hospital needs.



NIXON AND SHRIVER? Sargent Shriver, Democratic vice presidential nominee, slaps his forehead at a reception in San Antonio, Texas Wednesday night after making a slip of the tongue. He told the group that California labor leaders had assured him of their votes. "They said, 'We will carry California for Nixon and Shriver,'" he said, immediately catching his mistake. (AP Wirephoto)



Anti-war Militants Will Bring POWs Home

War Protest Study Full Of Surprises

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — Persons who want to stop future wars will need to rely more upon skill than righteousness in the opinion of a University of Michigan sociologist.

Prof. Howard Schuman has spent the past several years gathering data from nationwide Gallup polls and other opinion surveys, from in-depth interviews with a cross-section of Detroit adults and from classroom samples of U-M undergraduates.

His findings show that antiwar sentiment has grown steadily both on campus and among the general public. But the reasons behind each, according to Schuman, are totally different.

"College students and faculty tend to oppose American involvement in Vietnam on moral grounds," Schuman said. "They criticize U.S. devastation of a foreign country and cite the deaths and injuries that have resulted on both sides."

"The public at large has become disenchanted for a more practical reason — our failure to win," Schuman explains.

Schuman's studies also cast doubt on the common assumption that public opposition to the Vietnam war was awakened by college and university demonstrations. The two trends appear to be scarcely related, according to the U-M professor.

"In fact, a substantial portion of the antiwar public is also extremely hostile toward college protesters. In 1968, when the U-M Survey Research Center asked a national sample to indicate their 'feelings' toward Vietnam war protesters on a scale of zero to 100, seven out of 10 respondents placed protesters on the negative half of the scale."

Another somewhat surprising finding in Schuman's research has to do with the age and education levels of those members of the general public most opposed to the war.

"University students and faculty who have led the most forceful dissent over Vietnam have presumed their potential allies to be the best educated and informed members of the general public," Schuman notes. "Analysis of poll data,

however, shows that the higher a person's level of education, the greater his support for continuing American involvement."

Schuman explains that both students and the general public might be characterized as "isolationist," but in quite different ways.

"The public isolationism is of the traditional type which reflects fear of getting involved in another country's troubles," he said.

"But students are concerned mainly to avoid having the United States 'cause' trouble for another country. This new isolationism is really anti-interventionism, and doesn't imply withdrawal into a fortress-American state of mind."

The President has never had much to fear from the college antiwar movement, according to Schuman.

"The college antiwar movement doesn't speak the same language as the general public," Schuman concludes. "Public disillusionment with the war has grown despite campus demonstrations, not because of them."

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Trusting The Government

Though Ohio State and the University of Michigan are mortal enemies in athletic endeavors, the two schools get along remarkably well at academic pursuits.

The intellectual exchange between them on personnel and ideas is such as to give the impression that Woody Hayes and Bo Schembechler are merely putting on an act once a year to boost the gate receipts to the mutual benefit of their departmental war chests.

The latest demonstration is a report from Arthur Miller, an OSU political science professor who on the strength of the U-M Survey Research Center's data gathering facilities has issued a government cynicism scale.

His report statistically backs up what has been detected in recent years and, which McGovern is trying to make political hay of, that the public is increasingly losing confidence in government.

Professor Miller announces that a 20 per cent distrustful attitude in 1964 rose to 39 per cent by 1970. Impliedly he is saying the 1972 figure could be higher.

Distrust of government is a concomitant of government itself. It is impossible for one group of people to be sitting in judgment on the masses without stepping on some toes.

This lack of faith stems from two causes.

Policy disagreement is one.

How the government functions is the other.

From its founding until modern times the American government as epitomized by Washington has been suspect on policy grounds at different intervals and in varying degree.

Our Civil War erupted through a long chain of economic actions which in effect created two societies growing up side by side, an agrarian economy in the South and an industrial one in the North.

The Populist movement in the 1870s and '80s came about through a feeling in the plains states that the Eastern seaboard bankers were running away with the country.

Woodrow Wilson lost his bid to make the League of Nations a working force for international morality because of home front suspicion the European politicians were taking him into camp.

Not until the Japanese uncorked the Pearl Harbor attack was FDR able to allay a belief in the Midwest that he was maneuvering the U.S. into World War II.

LBJ decided against a second term campaign in '68 because the opinion polls convinced him most Americans felt he had sold them a bill of goods on Viet Nam.

Professor Miller's barometer measures that disillusionment and a growing

consciousness of the second factor.

The latter is new to the American thought process.

Its roots go back 40 years, when trapped in the worst economic squeeze in history, the public turned to Washington as the stepping stone up from the Depression.

In taking office, FDR held the notion that if Washington primed the pump, the American's traditional spirit of self reliance would keep the water flowing thereafter. He looked on the Presidency in the vein of a new coach being called in to restore a team whose confidence has been shattered.

He did not foresee nor he did personally agree with the philosophy that if government can assuage one ache it can be a doctor for all ailments.

Nevertheless this juggernaut started rolling in response to so many people saying "why don't they do something about it because it is so convenient to substitute 'they' for 'we'."

Belatedly the public is beginning to realize "they" are not performing as had been first hoped.

"They", the government, the bureaucracy, whichever term the reader prefers, is not all bad.

Some of its segments turn in a good performance and enjoy a responsive clap on the back from John Q. Public.

The FBI is one example. The Forest Rangers and the Parks Service constitute another. Though the reader may argue with us, the IRS is greatly improved over what it once was and certainly more civil to those whose affairs it examines. While the Armed Forces spend money like it is going out of style, only a subversive wants them reduced to paper strength.

Others touching the public in daily contact are something else.

The Postal Service, HUD (Housing and Urban Development) and HEW (Health, Education and Welfare) move in a fashion reminiscent of punching a pillow, the analogy which John F. Kennedy once flung at the State Department and which is still a valid appraisal.

Comparing the FBI to HUD and HEW and others is all the more startling because essentially the FBI is government in its repressive form whereas the latter appendages to the apparatus supposedly represent the Santa Claus spirit. Yet it is the latter grouping which helps to raise the mercury in Professor Miller's barometer.

Assuredly there is a sizeable element which expresses distrust because it feels Santa Claus is packing too small a sack.

Yet there must be a quite few respondents to Miller's poll which is now thinking perhaps Santa's appearance once a year is enough.

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For two successive years the nation's four-year colleges have been waiting for a number of knocks on the door which never came. A number of them are now ready to accept the fact a new trend is developing in American higher education.

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Just as a city bred child will remember his first visit to a farm for the rest of his life, so will he thrill at a chance to take a ride on a real steamship; though it may be only on a ship pulled by a tug around the tip of Manhattan and up the East River.

For thousands of children of congested neighborhoods in Manhattan and Brooklyn, and their mothers, this summer provided such an excursion. The Floating Hospital, whose daily excursions are financed by a private philanthropy, is more than a pleasure craft for kids who never had been on board one.

It is a waterborn clinic which provides a myriad of medical services ranging from dental care to psychological counseling while the children play and their mothers relax. It is, as one aide explained, the best kind of waiting room.

The Floating Hospital is an imaginative idea to take landlocked children temporarily away from a neighborhood which may not be too pleasant while providing informational as well as technical assistance for any medical problems they may have.

The result can only be a winner.

Just A Reminder



Bruce Biossat

Munich Tragedy Taint Among Us



WASHINGTON (NEA) — Reacting to the brutal murder in Munich of members of the Israeli Olympic team, a man in this capital asked:

"Were any Americans hurt?"

In the strict physical sense, the answer is of course "no." But in a broader sense, the response has to be "yes," not only for all Americans but for everybody in the world.

What the Arab "Black September" fanatics did was a victory for terrorism, even though they failed in their attempt to win release of 200 other terrorists imprisoned in Israel. They did kill 11 innocent Israeli athletes, and they did briefly disrupt great games intended to symbolize international brotherhood.

Yet the real lesson in this horror will be missed if the world does not go beyond mourning the dead and decrying the terrorism. What most needs to be deplored is that this was another victory for irreconcilability in a world where, these days, it is too often cruelly enshrined in virtue.

That irreconcilability and separation should be sought and even hailed anywhere today is incredible, given a globe shrunken in time and distance. Separatism is a primitive human condition, excusable only in the tribal isolation of long forgotten centuries.

Only people who have lost their way, or have never found it, could mistake this dead-end

for a path to rewarding life. Still, that's the route being taken by extremists in the Middle East, in shattered Northern Ireland, in parts of Asia, Africa, Latin America.

Most Americans perhaps would like to believe that they are free of this separatist madness. But the fact is that their political and social life is increasingly tainted by it.

Explicit and inherent in the very nature of effective democracy is the idea that men of diverging characteristics and viewpoints can accommodate to each other. Reconciliation and compromise are at the core of government rooted in the popular will.

Today, however, compromise is scored in some quarters as a departure from purity, as a spineless yielding to expediency. The "non-negotiable demand" is perceived by some as a mark of steadfast courage, when in truth its spirit is autocratic and antidemocratic.

Black Americans, properly disturbed by the stubborn lingering of discrimination and disadvantage, have seen their extremists trumpet separation as a path to dignity and well-being in a nation still nine-tenths white.

When separation is enthroned and accommodation is reviled, groups are thrust into costly, enduring warfare. The society, says author Irving Kristol, is "like a collection of mobs." Munich is a stark warning of what that can mean.

GLANCING BACKWARDS

HOLD DECISION ON BUSES

—1 Year Ago—

The Lakeshore board of education promised almost 1,000 persons attending last night's board meeting it will draw up a list of priorities to restore curtailed programs as

money becomes available.

Amid some outspoken criticism of its policies the board, however, showed no sign of backing down from an earlier decision to eliminate busing for the current school year because of money pinch.

MAN ON MOON FOR THE '60's

—10 Years Ago—

President Kennedy said today the nation's conscience requires it to lead the world's drive into space. He said peace and security hang in the balance.

Kennedy demanded a "bold and daring and unflinching" effort to land a man on the moon — a goal he has set for this decade. "We cannot shrink from it now," the President said in a speech prepared for delivery at Rice University Stadium in Houston, Tex.

ALLIED FORCE NEARING LAE

—29 Years Ago—

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced today that only "disintegrating" Japanese remnants — survivors of a force once estimated at 20,000 — fought on against American and Australian troops driving toward the big enemy stronghold at Lae in northeast New Guinea.

A communiqué said the Japanese, in ragged flight from newly-fallen Salamaua 18 miles south of Lae, were striving for Lae.

ATTEND CONVENTION

—39 Years Ago—

Dr. T. G. Yeomans and Dr. H. G. Bartlett are among physicians who will attend the state medical convention in Grand Rapids. Dr. Yeomans, mayor of St. Joseph, will read a paper.

SCHOOL COMPLETE

—19 Years Ago—

Education exercises will be held at the Hathaway school on the Chicago pike road south of Stevensville tomorrow night. The exercise will mark completion of one of the finest rural schools in Berrien county.

RECEIVES TRANSFER

—59 Years Ago—

Captain Edwin D. Kilbourne, son of Mrs. Louise Kilbourne of this city and brother of Walter F. Kilbourne, has been transferred from Columbus Barracks, Ohio, to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

ON TRIP

—81 Years Ago—

Manager R. Snow of the Whitcomb hotel went to Chicago on a business trip.

I know this is going to sound a little wild, and I hope it doesn't blow my credibility, but a recent study I have just finished reading has convinced me that we have what amounts to a photograph of Jesus Christ—indeed, a recognizable likeness.

The book, called "The Shroud," is an investigation of the so-called Holy Shroud of Turin by an English scholar, John Walsh. It is a sober, professional and persuasive work.

Like many people, I had heard vaguely about an alleged burial shroud of Jesus. Ho hum. I supposed it to be an old piece of cloth, doubtless with a few splotches of some sort, which might with some imagination be perceived as representing a face — the whole thing, of course, of murky and dubious likeness.

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In a short piece like this there is no room to go into all the fascinating details, but it is a historical detective story of the first magnitude. I outline some of Walsh's story.

After examining Secondo Pia's photographs, a French scientist named Paul Joseph Vignon went to work experimentally and discovered the way in which the likeness on the shroud was produced. The traditional Jewish burial ceremony of the time employed myrrh and aloes, ground into a sort of paste, which impregnated the burial shroud and doubtless protected mourners from the unpleasant effects of decomposition. But this combination of chemicals produced a substance which, Vignon showed, would be sensitized by urea. And the body exudes that chemical profusely upon death, especially when death is accompanied by great agony. The urea exudation, acting upon the paste, produced the discoloration of the cloth.

Naturally, scholars investigated every detail of the shroud. Distinct brown stains marked the crown of thorns. A lenticular wound on the right side marked the spear thrust. Even more telling, departures from the scriptural narrative weighed on the side of authenticity. The shroud indicates that the nails went through the wrists, not through the hands. Anatomical experiments with cadavers showed that a nail through the hands will not sustain the body's weight, but that there is a narrow passage through the wrist which the Roman executioners must have known about.

Natural Gas Demand Rising

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Consumers Power Co. of Jackson, Mich. expects its retail demand for natural gas to increase by 65 per cent — from 357 billion cubic feet to 592 billion cubic feet — between now and 1980.

At the same time, company experts are pessimistic about availability of new sources in Alaska and Canada.

The projections of continued difficulty in balancing demand, supply and price of gas were presented Wednesday to the Michigan Public Service Commission by John B. Simpson, a Consumers Power Co. vice president.

SEOUL (AP) — At least 52 Koreans were dead and two were missing today after more than nine inches of rain in 19 hours in Pusan, the southern port. Officials said more than 300 homes were destroyed and 1,800 were flooded.

Last month, 463 persons were killed in South Korea's worst floods in 47 years.

BERRY'S WORLD

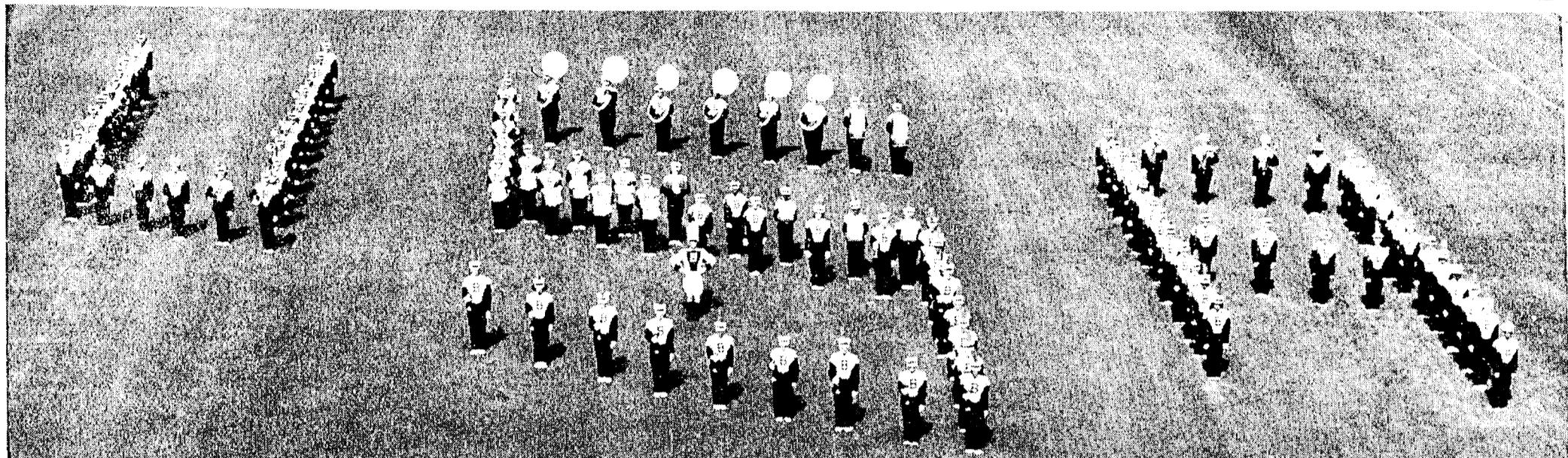


"Mizz Westwood, there's a group called 'The Watergate Five' here to see you!"

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Twin City
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MARCHING TIGERS ARE TUNED UP: Benton Harbor high school's marching band takes the field tomorrow night for its first football performance of the season as the Tigers host Kalamazoo at Fisstrup field. The Tiger musicians will play at all home games, plus trips to Muskegon and Holland. Director Clinton McChesney said the cast includes 116 horns and 19 marchers for an entourage of 135. Friday's show will feature patterns in motion, dance routines and a number with the spotlight on the twirlers. (Staff photo)

Meeting Produces 'Understanding' But No End Of Boycott

A meeting last night between the Benton Harbor board of education and parents of Johnson school area sixth graders produced "understanding" but no indications that parents would drop their boycott immediately.

About 15 sixth graders are being withheld from school by parents because the sixth grade at Johnson school was closed and parents told to transfer children to Hull school, two miles west of Johnson on Territorial road.

Board members and administrators said it was lack of money that forced closing the Johnson sixth grade and reassignment of the teacher.

Parents also were informed that other elementary schools in the district have lost teachers as 35 teaching posts were abolished after the defeat of operating tax millage.

Supt. Raymond Sreboth read the state compulsory attendance law that requires parents to send to school children between the ages of 6 and 16. There were no threats of prosecution against the some 25 parents who met with the board at Johnson school.

Sreboth also explained the district's busing policy as it relates to state law. Only five of the Johnson area sixth graders are eligible to be bused to Hull.

Lack of busing to Hull is a major parental objection to the transfers because children must walk along Territorial.

One parent said he understood that part after Sreboth's explanation and said "we should be arguing with the state."

Three Johnson students are now attending Hull sixth and one parent said she preferred it.

Johnson parents also object to different starting and dismissal times between elementary grades and seventh-eighth grades at Hull.

A 40-minute difference in starting time would force some to make two trips if they drive children to school because

busing regulations provide reimbursement only for those students who live more than 1 1/2 miles from school — except for students living in the city for which there is no reimbursement regardless of the distance and special education students who get rides because of disabilities.

If the district bused students who live less than a mile and a half, it would be penalized by the state for about 25 percent of the operating costs per child.

Sreboth explained that state reimbursement for eligible children is intended to cover 75 percent of the costs but seldom reaches that figure because a lump sum is appropriated that must be spread out among all schools which bus.

He noted that transportation appropriations are not popular with big city legislators whose districts get nothing because districts get nothing because their students live within city boundaries.

Sreboth and board members said that if an exception were made for the Johnson sixth graders, it would boomerang throughout the district and costs would be prohibitive.

EMPLOYMENT UP

DETROIT (AP)—Employment at American Motors facilities in the United States and Canada increased 9 percent in the 1972 model year, the company has reported.



LEADERS OF THE BAND: Benton Harbor high school band's drum major, Lee Miller is flanked by twirlers, and all are set to go Friday in

football home opener. From left are, Lois Mummaw, Mary Souliotis, Miller, Becky Chapman, and Sharon Mann. (Staff photo)

Twin Cities Area

Highway Interviews Begin

BY BILL RUSH

Staff Writer

The state highway department has begun interviews in the Twin Cities and surrounding area as part of a traffic planning study that is expected to contact 65,000 motorists by Nov. 15.

Milton Lamb, general origins and destination supervisor for the state highway department, said his staff is currently doing trial runs, but will begin a full schedule of interviews next week at 20 locations on roads in Stevensville, Shoreham and the townships of Lincoln, Benton, Royalton, St. Joseph and Sodus.

Lamb has hired 12 temporary male employees to add to his permanent staff of 11, of which 16 will conduct highway interviews for the next 10 weeks.

He said the interviewers will stop 65,000 autos and 1,800 trucks during the survey.

Additionally, 13 women have been hired to conduct home interviews at every 7th house

or 14 per cent of the homes in the survey area, with six

staffers reviewing the results, Lamb explained.

Through interviews on the road and in the home, Lamb said he expects to have a good picture of internal and external traffic in the Twin Cities region.

The purpose of the study is to determine future traffic and transportation needs. The state and local communities must conduct studies to qualify for federal monies for road building, Lamb said.

The Twin Cities Area Transportation Study committee (TWIN-CATS) was formed in 1970 by the 9 local governmental units where traffic is being studied along with the Berrien county road commission to assist the state in traffic and transportation planning. The 10 units have agreed to pay \$21,000 of the \$163,000 study.

The road study will conclude in November and the home interviews in December. Data from the field work will then be turned over to the TWIN-CATS study team to develop a transportation plan. The team is coordinated by Thomas Sian, director of the Berrien planning commission.

Lamb said he can't reveal the traffic study locations since it could bias the study, but each location will have flashing lights and a comed off area for interviews which will last about 45 seconds.

The interviewers will determine the number in the vehicle and the type of vehicle and then ask where the trip began, where it will end, where the vehicle is garaged and what the purpose of the trip is. The home interviews will be at least 15 minutes to provide more

background on internal traffic.

Lamb was in the Twin Cities area in 1961 conducting a similar study that covered a smaller area from Hawthorne

avenue in St. Joseph to Benson avenue in Benton township. A transportation study is held in local areas every 8 to 12 years, he noted.

Home Economist Is Assigned To Berrien County

Mrs. Marion Caldwell of Benton Harbor has been assigned as an extension service home economist in Berrien county, according to Clare M. Musgrave, Berrien county extension director. Her appointment is pending confirmation by the Michigan State university board of trustees.

A native of Benton Harbor, Mrs. Caldwell received her bachelor of arts degree from Andrews university, Berrien Springs, last December, majoring in home economics and the behavioral sciences.

Mrs. Caldwell was previously employed by the Benton Harbor Area school system as a school-parent coordinator for compensatory programs. She also was employed as a practical nurse at Memorial hospital, St. Joseph.

As an extension home economist she will be responsible for the nutrition program, supervising 15 program aides that bring nutrition information to families with limited resources.



MRS. MARION CALDWELL



BEAR YELL GIRLS: This sextet will call the cheers for the St. Joseph Bears. Left to right: Mary Jane Knauf, Julie Ahrens, Elaine Brege, Marcia Clark, Teresa Srnec and Nancy Mulbar. Girls display third

place trophy they won in team competition at Camp All-American of U.S. Cheerleading association at Waldon Woods Estate, Mich. (Staff photo)

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Seventeen Seniors Semifinalists For Merit Scholarships *Students In Final Competition From 10 Area High Schools*

Seventeen seniors from 10 southwestern Michigan high schools are among 15,000 of the nation's top students named semifinalists in the 1973 National Merit Scholarship competition.

They will compete for about 3,000 Merit scholarships to be awarded next spring.

The semifinalists were the highest scorers on a test given last October to over one million students in 16,600 schools around the country. They represent less than one per cent of the country's graduating seniors.

Three of the 17 southwestern Michigan semifinalists attend St. Joseph high school and three others, Brandywine high school, near Niles.

Lakeshore high school has two semifinalists still in attendance there. A third, Peter Gruber, has withdrawn from the school and enrolled in night classes in a dispute over hair length.

Niles high school has two semifinalists. There is one at each of the following schools: Benton Harbor, Lake Michigan Catholic in St. Joseph, Bridgeman, Hartford, Paw Paw and Allegan.

Semifinalists must advance to finalist standing to be considered for the Merit scholarships awarded next spring. They become finalists by receiving the endorsement

of their schools, repeating their performance on a second examination and providing information about their achievements and interests.

About 96 per cent of the semifinalists are expected to become finalists, who then will be considered for one-time, \$1,000 scholarships or four-year scholarships worth up to \$1,500 each year.

The semifinalists from this area:

MATTHEW P. HOUSEAL, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Houseal, 1902 Sunset drive, St. Joseph, plans to attend the University of Michigan and become a medical doctor. A senior at St. Joseph high school, he is a member of the science and medical careers clubs and diving scorekeeper and announcer at the school's swim meets. Outside of school he is a volunteer at Memorial hospital and president of the Twin Cities Junior Civitan club.

CYNTHIA K. LEATZ, 17, is a member of the student council at St. Joseph high school as well as the science and math clubs and the National Honor society. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Leatz of 1222 Hillcrest, she plans to study veterinary medicine at Michigan State university.

ELIZABETH S. RUNYAN, 16, includes among her activities at St. Joseph high the French club, Thespians, Girls Athletic Association, National Honor society and the marching, symphonic and pep bands. With the hope of eventually becoming a lawyer, she plans to enroll at the University of Michigan and major in history or political science. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Runyan, 848 Wisconsin avenue.

RODNEY W. OTT, 17, is a senior at Lakeshore high school, where she plays flute in the band and is a representative on the student council. A candy striper in her spare time, she plans to attend college, possibly for training as a teacher of the emotionally disturbed. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Hall of 5482 Notre Dame avenue, Stevensville.

THOMAS H. GOODGAME JR., 17, also a senior at Lakeshore, has been a scout leader for the past six years and is due soon to achieve Eagle scout. He hasn't chosen a college yet but is considering majoring in science or mathematics. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Goodgame Sr. of 4482 Winding lane, Stevensville.

PETER N. GRUBER, 17, attended Lakeshore in his sophomore and junior years and was editor of the school newspaper, a student council representative, a member of the stage crew and the band. Now enrolled in the district's adult education program, he plans to receive his high school diploma next spring and, in the fall, enroll at Lake Michigan college. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gruber of 1547 South Cherry drive, Stevensville.

MARK G. HENNES, 17, the son of Hennes clothing store operator and Mrs. Richard Hennes, of 284 Hoover, Benton Harbor, is vice-president of the Benton Harbor high school band. Other high school activities he has been involved in include the cross country team, math club and the National Honor society. After graduation, he intends to pursue mathematics at the

Massachusetts Institute of Technology or the University of Michigan.

KATHRYN M. PHILLIPS, 17, is a senior at Lake Michigan Catholic high school, where she is a member of the drama club and plays drums in the band. Her career choice is journalism; her college choice is Aquinas college in Grand Rapids. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Phillips of 1324 Susan drive, St. Joseph.

RODNEY W. OTT, 17, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ott, of 1162 Baldwin road, Bridgeman, is a former president of the chess club at Bridgeman high school, where he is a senior. Ott has also been active in the school Latin club. He plans to attend the University of Michigan or Michigan State, and is interested in studying mathematics or literature.

CHARLES L. CHRISTENSEN, 17, is a senior at Paw Paw high school and is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Christensen of 502 North Kalamazoo street in Paw Paw. Christensen has been on the student council for three years, was president of the junior class and has participated in amateur drama productions. He intends to enter pre-law studies at the University of Michigan.

MICHAEL L. LATUSS, 17, a senior at Hartford high school, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo J. Latus of 22 West South street in Hartford. Latus has been a member of the senior band for three years, played freshman basketball, and is a member of the Van Buren Folk dancers and the National Honor society chapter at Hartford. He intends to enroll at the University of Michigan or Michigan State university but has not yet decided on a field of study.

RONALD J. BALON, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Balon of 2435 South 13th street, Niles. He is a senior at Brandywine high school, where he is a member of the chess club. He plans to study physical science at Indiana university or the University of Michigan.

JENNY R. CLARKE, 17, is a senior at Brandywine high school, where she is a cheerleader and member of the drama club and American Field Service club. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clarke of 2000 Bond road, Niles. She plans to study language at Dartmouth university.

JEFFREY B. MCCOMBS, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex McCombs of 1314 LaSalle street, Niles. He is a senior at Brandywine high school and a member of the football and tennis teams. He plans to study electrical engineering at the University of Michigan.

BUIAN K. HOUGH, 17, is a senior at Niles high school, where he is a member of the tennis team. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hough of 533 Meadow drive, Niles. He plans to study journalism at the University of Michigan.

EUGENE N. HUBBARD, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Eugene Hubbard of 540 Philip road, Niles. He is a senior at Niles high school, where he is a member of the concert and marching bands. His college plans are undecided, but he hopes to become an astronomer.

ROCCO T. KRCATOVICH, 17, is a member of the varsity football, wrestling and track teams at Allegan high school. His college plans are indefinite but he is considering a career in law. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Krcatovich, route 4, Allegan.



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SMC Trustees Blast Teacher's Association

DOWAGIAC — Trustees of Southwestern Michigan college yesterday described the association representing the college's instructors in new contract bargaining as a "ruthless, dishonest, power hungry Lansing based union..." bent on either ruling or ruining the college.

The broadside was the latest in a verbal battle going on between the board and the Education association in the dispute over a new contract.

Bargainers for both sides have been unable to reach agreement on a new contract, despite months of talks, and

are currently at an impasse. Instructors, however, reported for work as scheduled to open the two-year institution for the new school year last week.

The trustees latest blast was contained in a two-page news release prompted by a release issued Friday by the instructors' association.

The release said, "In view of the union leaders latest false accusations against the college in the union's news release of last Friday, your board of trustees has re-evaluated the problem with the union at Southwestern Michigan college."

The statement continued, "This Lansing based cult, disguised as an educational group and operating through its local spokesmen, has now embarked on a campaign of

truth twisting which can only be described as weird."

The trustees contend that the association publicly is stating it is not seeking a 45 per cent wage boost and a reduction in workload while privately making these demands.

The association has said that wage increase voted to instructors by the board last month does not meet the 5.5 per cent boost being described by the board.

According to the union, the raise is based on salaries actually paid last year, and eliminates an annual boost scheduled for each instructor under the previous contract.

THOMAS H. GOODGAME JR., 17, also a senior at Lakeshore, has been a scout leader for the past six years and is due soon to achieve Eagle scout. He hasn't chosen a college yet but is considering majoring in science or mathematics. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Goodgame Sr. of 4482 Winding lane, Stevensville.

PETER N. GRUBER, 17, attended Lakeshore in his sophomore and junior years and was editor of the school newspaper, a student council representative, a member of the stage crew and the band. Now enrolled in the district's adult education program, he plans to receive his high school diploma next spring and, in the fall, enroll at Lake Michigan college. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gruber of 1547 South Cherry drive, Stevensville.

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Scenic Railroad Wins Support Of Bloomingdale

BLOMINGDALE — A proposed scenic-route passenger railroad line between South Haven and Kalamazoo via Bloomingdale won support from the Bloomingdale village council last night.

In response to a letter from Lee Clayton, president of National Railroaders Camping association, the council agreed to help the proposed railroad in any way it could.

Clayton's letter proposed steam-powered passenger service between Kalamazoo and South Haven three times daily during summer months. The letter suggested development of recreational areas along the proposed scenic rail route, now owned by the Penn Central Transportation company.

Clayton also mentioned the possibility of freight delivery on the trains.

In other action, the council agreed to pay Penn Central \$700 for an easement to locate a 10-inch sewer line under the railroad crossing right-of-way on the Oak street extension. The council also agreed to pay the railroad \$1 for a sewer line easement at the Chestnut street crossing.

Mrs. Verniece Morehead, deputy clerk, reported that 251 property units are now billed for sewage.



HERE FOR IUD: Samuel C. Jackson, assistant secretary for community planning and management in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will speak Friday evening at a dinner session of the Midwest Regional Conference of National Association of Minority Contractors. Benton Harbor-Benton Township Minority Contractors association is host for conference at Ramada Inn.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The loggerhead sea turtle population has taken a giant crawl forward.

The Philadelphia Zoo said Wednesday, 120 of the 124 loggerhead eggs found on the beach at Ocean City, N.J., two months ago, have been successfully hatched. The other four were expected to hatch within the next few days.

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College Student Faces Charge In Death Crash

A 17-year-old Minnesota girl, accepted as a freshman for the coming semester at Andrews University, was charged with negligent homicide in connection with a crash near Berrien Springs that killed a migrant farm worker Monday night.

Berrien Prosecutor Ronald Taylor authorized the charge against Diane M. Johnson, 17, of Brainard, Minn.

She was driver of a car that reportedly ran a stop sign at Red Bud trail and US-31 and travelled into the path of a pickup truck driven by Justo Guardiola, 60, of San Benito, Texas, who was fatally injured.

The victim's wife, Tetra, 44, remains in satisfactory condition at Berrien General hospital, where her condition was reported as improved this morning.

Miss Johnson was scheduled to be arraigned at Fifth District court today.

Albion College Holding Its Own

ALBION, Mich. (AP) — Enrollment at Albion College isn't growing, but it hasn't dropped off any either, according to figures released by the college.

Albion says 1,814 students are enrolled this year, five more than last. However, there are

1,733 full-time, fee-paying students, the same number as were enrolled in the fall semester last year. Freshman enrollment increased 6 per cent, offsetting a large graduating class last spring.